

The Royal Government of Cambodia  
No 13 SSR



Decision  
On  
The Establishment of the National Task Force to Implement Agreements,  
Memoranda of Understanding between the Royal Government of Cambodia and  
Relevant Countries on the Elimination of Trafficking in Person and Assisting  
Victims of Trafficking

The Government of Cambodia

- Having seen the Constitution of the Kingdom of Cambodia
- Seen Preah Reach Kret No. NS/RKT/0704/124 dated 15 July 2004 on the appointment of the Royal Government of Cambodia.
- Having seen the Reach Krom No. 02/NS/94 Dated 20 July 1994 which promulgated the law on the organization and Functioning of the Council of Ministers.
- Having seen the Reach Krom No. NS/RKM/0105.002 dated 17 January 2005 which promulgated the law on the establishment of the Ministry of Women's Affairs (MoWA).
- Having seen the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women which the Royal Government of Cambodia signed on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 1992 and ratified on 15<sup>th</sup> October 1992.
- Having seen the Convention on the Rights of the Child which the Royal Government of Cambodia signed on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 1992 and ratified on 15<sup>th</sup> October 1992.
- Having seen Preah Reach Krom No. NS/RKM/1005/032 dated 24<sup>th</sup> October 2005 which promulgated the law on enactment of the Convention of the International Labor Organization (ILO) No. 182 on the abolition and prompt action to eliminate serious forms of Child Labor.
- Having seen Preah Reach Krom No. NS/RKM/0106/004 dated 18 January 2006 which promulgated the law on enactment of the participation of the Government of Cambodia in the Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, Supplementing the United Nations Convention Against Transnational Organized Crime of which ratified by the National Assembly on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2005.
- Having seen Anukret No. 13 ANKBK dated 07 February 2005 on the organization and functioning of the MoWA.
- Pursuant to the circular of the royal Government of Cambodia No. 13 SRNN dated 29 September 1999 on consolidating and widening efforts against trafficking in women and children.
- Pursuant of the proposal of the MoWA

DECIDES

**Article 1:** Establish a National Task Force (NTF) to implement the bilateral and multilateral-agreements, Memoranda of Understanding between the Royal Government of Cambodia and Relevant Countries on the Elimination of Trafficking in Person and Assisting Victims of Trafficking with its abbreviation in Khmer **កងកម្មវិធីបំបាត់ការជួញដូរមនុស្ស**

## Article 2:

### The NTF comprises:

1. Secretary of State of MoWA	1	Chairman
2. Under-Secretary of State of MoI	1	Vice-chairman
3. Under-secretary of State of MoFAIC	1	Vice-chairman
4. Under-secretary of State of MoSAVY	1	Vice-chairman
5. Under-secretary of State of MoJ	1	Vice-Chairman
6. Representative of MoWA	1	Permanent member
7. Representative of Council Ministers	1	Member
8. Representative of MoFAIC	1	Member
9. Representative of the MoEcon&Finance	1	Member
10. Representative of the MoSAVY	1	Member
11. Representative of the MoT	1	Member
12. Representative of the MoEYS	1	Member
13. Representative of the MoLVT	1	Member
14. Representative of the MoInfo	1	Member
15. Representative of the General Central National Police	1	Member
16. Representative of the General HQ of Overall Country PM	1	Member
17. Representative of the National Council for Women	1	Member
18. Representative of the Cam National Council for Children	1	Member

The above chairmen, vice-chairmen and members of the NTF are defined by the decision of the Royal Government.

### Article 3: The NTF is head quarter of the Royal Government with the following ToR:

- Assist the Royal Government in implementing the Viet-Cam agreement, Thai-Cam MOU, the COMMIT GMS MOU and agreements with relevant countries on eliminating trafficking in persons, especially in women and children and assisting victims of trafficking.
- Make bilateral and GMS-level action plans to combat trafficking in persons especially women and children by gathering necessary efforts to put action plan into actual implementation.
- In order to effectively combat trafficking in persons, enhance cooperation for the successful implementation of the bilateral and GMS-leveled MOU/agreements.
- Monitor and evaluate the implementation of the bilateral, multilateral, GMS-level MOU/agreements on the co-operation to combat trafficking in persons and report to the joint committee of responsible for bilateral and multilateral co-operation in regular annual meeting.
- Review the bilateral, multilateral and GMS-level MOU/agreements on the co-operation to combat trafficking in persons every 2 or 3 years and report to the Royal Government.
- Collaborate with the UN Inter-Agency on Human Trafficking in the GMS (UNIAP-C) Secretariat for Cambodia, regional and with working groups from other partner countries in facilitating national-level, overall and regional-level activities related to migration.
- Seek technical and financial assistance as well as international experts as required to assist with training, monitoring and assessment of the implementation of the bilateral, multilateral and GMS-level MOU/agreements.

- Assist the Royal Government in preparing national reports on Counter trafficking in persons in Cambodia in preparation for sending it to the United Nations.
- Assist the Royal Government in preparing the 5 year-national plan of action on Human Trafficking and sexual-exploitation prior to requesting for approval of the Royal Government with facilitation by the Cambodian National Council for Children (CNCC).

**Article 4:**

- The NTF strengthens bilateral, multilateral and regional cooperation with NGOs and IOs in gathering assistance to implement plan of action relating to Human Trafficking.
- The NTF has its own national finances which the annex budgets of MoWA submitted to the MoEcon&Finan as in annex of the MoWA and financial support from IOs, donors, and national and international charities.

**Article 5:**

- Members of the NTF must participate in meetings invited by the chairman. The chairman of the NTF has the right to invite any representative of the relevant ministries, or of the institution and individuals to participate in meetings. In case of necessity the NTF must report the outcomes and the requests from the meetings to the Royal Government and ask for decisions.

**Article 6:** - The NTF may establish an inter-ministerial facilitation group (as required) to assist with the collaboration, facilitation of its own as this decision as stated in article 2. The appointment of the NTF in terms composition, the terms of reference of the inter-ministerial facilitation group must be defined by the decision of the NTF.

**Article 7:** - The NTF has its permanent secretariat located at the MoWA office using the existing government officials to enhance collaboration and facilitate the work in relation to human trafficking issues and assisting victims of trafficking.

- TOR of the permanent secretariat must be defined by the decision of the NTF.
- The NTF is authorized to use the official stamp of the MoWA.

**Article 8:** - The NTF will facilitate work with mixed municipal/provincial-level working groups which are already in place to collaborate, facilitate and undertake responsibilities as stated in article 3 of the decision. In the case of r any municipality/province that has not yet created a working group, one must be established and led by the Provincial Deputy Governor and with members from relevant departments as stated in the article 2 of the decision except in cases where no relevant institutions are in place in the municipality/province.

- The mixed municipal/provincial-level working groups has the right to use the official stamp of the municipality/province.

**Article 9:** - Decision No. 40 SSR dated 05 July 2004, on the establishment of the National Task Force for implementing MoU between the Royal Government of Cambodia and the Royal Government of Thailand on Bilateral Cooperation for Eliminating Trafficking in Women and Children and assisting Victims of Human Trafficking and the decision No. 25 SSR dated 16 June 2006 on the Establishment of Inter Ministerial Working Group for implementing the Agreement between the Royal Government of Cambodia and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam on the Bilateral Cooperation for

Eliminating Trafficking in Women and Children and Assisting Victims of Trafficking and any provisions that are contrary to this decision shall be null and void.

**Article 10:-** The Minister in charge of the Council of Ministers Office, the Minister of MoWA, the Ministers, and Secretary of States of all relevant institutions, provincial-municipal governors and the composition as stated in article 2 shall effectively implement this decision from the date of signature herein.

Phnom Penh, 12 March 2006

Signed and Sealed

Prime Minister

CC:

- Ministry of the Royal Palace
- General Secretariat of Constitution Council
- General Secretariat of the Senate
- General Secretariat of the National Assembly
- General Secretariat of the Royal Government
- Samdech Prime Minister Cabinet
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